

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
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For: SURROGATE CELL GENE EXPRESSION
SIGNATURES FOR EVALUATING THE
PHYSICAL STATE OF A SUBJECT

Examiner: Mark Staples

RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action (Election/Restriction Requirement) dated March 17, 2009, and in accordance with Rule 143 of the Rules of Practice, please consider the accompanying election and remarks. Submitted simultaneously herewith is a Request for THREE (3) Months Extension of Time with the required fee.